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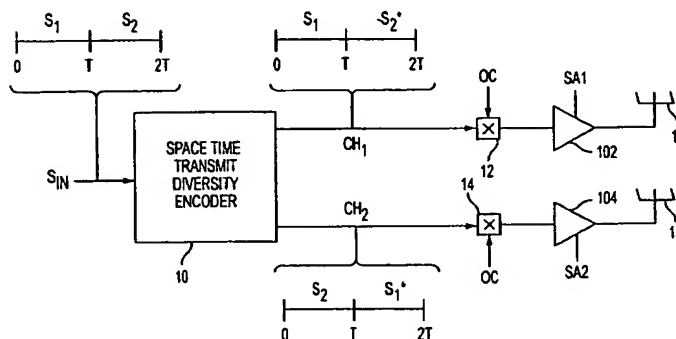
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(54) Title: **CLOSED LOOP FEEDBACK SYSTEM FOR IMPROVED DOWN LINK PERFORMANCE**



(57) Abstract: A method includes receiving at least two space-time coded signals from an antenna system associated with a first station, determining complex channel state information based on the received space-time coded signals, and sending the complex channel state information to the first station. In an alternative embodiment, a method includes transmitting at least two space-time coded signals in respective beams of a multi-beam antenna array, measuring a channel impulse response for each space-time coded signal at a second station, and sending an indicia of a selected set of least attenuated signals from the second station to the first station. The multi-beam antenna array is associated with a first station. The beams transmit a signature code embedded in each respective space-time coded signal, and the signature codes are orthogonal so that the second station can separate and measure the channel impulse response corresponding to each space-time coded signal. The space-time coded signals include the selected set of least attenuated signals and a remaining set of most attenuated signals. In an alternative embodiment, a method includes selecting at least two beams of plural beams formed by a multi-beam antenna array associated with a first station for transmission of a corresponding at least two space-time coded signals produced by a space-time encoder, determining a time delay associated with each of the at least two space-time coded signals as received in each respective beam, and setting into a variable delay line the time delay corresponding to each beam, each variable delay line being coupled between the multi-beam antenna array the space-time encoder.

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1. Claims: 1 - 17 and 26 - 42

determining complex channel state information based on the received space-time coded signals for feedback to a transmitter

2. Claims: 18, 19, 43 and 44

transmitting beams with an embedded signature code in a signal from a first station to a second station

sending an indicia of the selected set of least attenuated signals from the second station to the first station

3. Claims: 20 - 25 and 45 - 50

determining a time delay associated with a beam at a second station

setting into a variable delay line the time-delay of the encoder of a first station

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